

**Listing of the Claims:**

The listing of claims below, wherein underlining indicates additions and strikethrough indicates deletions, will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1.     **(Currently amended)** A method of limiting playback of an electronic presentation, wherein a playback device is used to play back the electronic presentation, the method comprising  
          obtaining a playback time limit for the playback device,  
          measuring an actual cumulative time of the electronic presentation by the playback device based on monitoring the rate at which a requesting process makes requests for decryption of the electronic presentation; and  
          restricting playback of the electronic presentation based on the measured actual cumulative time and the playback time limit~~wherein the playback time limit is used to restrict playback of the electronic presentation according to a measure of actual cumulative time of the electronic presentation by the playback device.~~
2.     **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein the playback time limit is provided in a content license transferred via a network to the playback device.
3.     **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein the playback time limit is derived from a running time of the electronic presentation.
4.     **(Original)** The method of claim 3, wherein the playback time limit is longer than the running time of the electronic presentation.
5.     **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein a default playback time limit is derived.
6.     **(Original)** The method of claim 5, wherein the default playback time limit is derived from a computation.
7.     **(Original)** The method of claim 6, wherein the default playback time limit is

derived by multiplying a running time of the electronic presentation by 1.75.

8. **(Original)** The method of claim 5, wherein the default playback time limit is derived from a stored value.

9. **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein the playback device includes a server that provides streamed content.

10. **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein the actual cumulative time does not include intervals where playback is stopped.

11. **(Original)** The method of claim 1, further comprising  
obtaining a "number of plays" limit at the playback device, wherein the number of plays limit is used with the playback time limit to restrict playback of the electronic presentation by the playback device.

12. **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein the playback device includes both secure and non-secure processing, wherein the playback device is coupled to a server processor via a network, the method further comprising  
transferring the playback time limit to the playback device for secure processing; and  
using the secure processor to transfer at least a portion of the electronic presentation to the playback device for rendering, at least a portion of the rendering to take place in the non-secure processing.

13. **(Original)** The method of claim 12, wherein a secure processor is used to perform the secure processing, the method further comprising  
using the secure processor to receive a secure time signal via the network; and  
using the secure time signal with the playback time limit to restrict playback of the electronic presentation by the playback device.

14. **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein the actual cumulative time does not include time during which the electronic presentation is not being played back.

15. **(Original)** The method of claim 14, wherein the playback device includes secure processing and non-secure processing, the method further comprising using the non-secure processing to determine when one of the following modes of playback have been selected by a user: pause, fast forward, rewind, stop, variable speed playback, variable speed rewind;  
using the secure processing to update the actual cumulative time in response to one or more of the modes determined by the non-secure processing.
16. **(Original)** The method of claim 15, further comprising omitting update of the actual cumulative time for the modes of pause, rewind, and stop.
17. **(Original)** The method of claim 16 further comprising determining whether a mode is being used by monitoring the rate at which a requesting process makes requests for decryption.
18. **(Original)** The method of claim 16, further comprising omitting update of the actual cumulative time for the mode of fast forward.
19. **(Currently amended)** A method for limiting playback of an electronic presentation on a playback device, the method comprising receiving a playback time limit;  
measuring an actual playback time of the electronic presentation at the playback device based on monitoring the rate at which a requesting process makes requests for decryption of the electronic presentation; and  
comparing the actual playback time with the playback time limit to determine whether to permit additional playback of the electronic presentation.
20. **(Original)** The method of claim 19, wherein the step of comparing is performed in response to a request to decrypt a portion of the electronic presentation.
21. **(Original)** The method of claim 20, wherein the request to decrypt a portion of the electronic presentation is made to a secure processor.

22. **(Original)** The method of claim 19, wherein the playback time limit is provided in a content license transferred via a network to the playback device.
23. **(Original)** The method of claim 19, wherein the playback time limit is derived from a running time of the electronic presentation.
24. **(Original)** The method of claim 23, wherein the playback time limit is longer than the running time of the electronic presentation.
25. **(Original)** The method of claim 19, further comprising  
receiving a "number of plays" limit, wherein the number of plays limit is used with the playback time limit to restrict playback of the electronic presentation by the playback device.
26. **(Original)** The method of claim 19, wherein the playback device includes a server that provides streamed content.
27. **(Original)** The method of claim 19, wherein the playback device includes both secure and non-secure processing, wherein the playback device is coupled to a network, the method further comprising  
using the secure processing to receive the playback time limit; and  
using the non-secure processing to render at least a portion of the electronic presentation.
28. **(Original)** The method of claim 27, wherein a secure processor is used to perform the secure processing, the method further comprising  
using the secure processor to receives a secure time signal via the network;  
and  
using the secure time signal with the playback time limit to restrict playback of the electronic presentation by the playback device.
29. **(Original)** The method of claim 19, wherein the actual cumulative time does not include time during which the electronic presentation is not being played back.

30. **(Original)** The method of claim 29, wherein the actual cumulative time does not include time during which the electronic presentation is in one or more of the following modes: pause, rewind, or stop.

31. **(Currently amended)** An apparatus for limiting playback of an electronic presentation on a playback device, the apparatus comprising

- a receiver for receiving a playback time limit;
- a detector for measuring an actual playback time of the electronic presentation at the playback device based on monitoring the rate at which a requesting process makes requests for decryption of the electronic presentation; and
- a comparator for comparing the actual playback time with the playback time limit to determine whether to permit additional playback of the electronic presentation.

32. **(Currently amended)** A computer-readable medium including instructions executable by a processor for limiting playback of an electronic presentation in a digital rights management system, wherein a playback device is used to play back the electronic presentation, the computer-readable medium comprising

- one or more instructions for transferring a playback time limit to the playback device, wherein the playback time limit is used to restrict playback of the electronic presentation according to a measure of actual cumulative time of the electronic presentation by the playback device, wherein the actual cumulative time is measured based on monitoring the rate at which a requesting process makes requests for decryption of the electronic presentation.